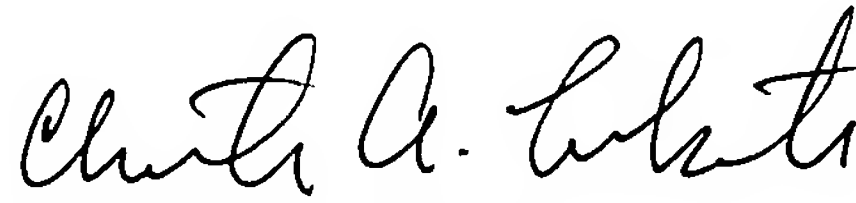


REMARKS

Applicants hereby amend the Specification to recite the relationship of the instant application to previous applications and to provide an abstract on a separate sheet of paper following the claims. In addition, Applicants have amended Claims 52-54, canceled Claims 1-40, 48-51 and 56-67, and entered new Claim 68, in order to further the prosecution of the present application and Applicants' business interests, without acquiescing to the Examiner's arguments, and while reserving the right to prosecute the original, similar, or broader claims in one or more future application(s). The amendments and new claim are supported by the original description, and do not introduce new matter. In particular, support for new Claim 68 is provided by original Claims 12, 23, and 30, which recite exemplary cells that support replication of SARS coronaviruses. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants encourage the Examiner to call the undersigned collect.

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